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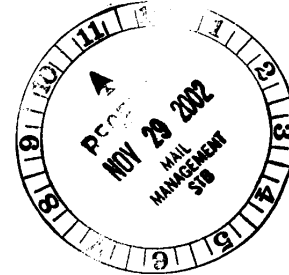
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**VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS**

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Mercury Building  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423



**RE: STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 606)  
CSX Transportation, Inc.-Abandonment  
Exemption in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania**

Dear Mr. Williams:

CSXT agreed to negotiate for trail purposes in the above captioned matter with both The City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania ("City") and the neighboring Borough of Millvale (the "Borough"). The deadline for trail negotiations with the City is set to expire in mid-December, and the deadline for negotiations with the Borough is January 8, 2003. CSXT will be unable to finalize negotiations by such time. As such, CSXT requests an extension of the negotiating period with both parties until July 8, 2003. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

  
Natalie S. Rosenberg

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